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MU receives funds for special education

A $60,000 grant has been awarded to Marshall University’s Special Education Program by the U.S. Office of Education, Dr. Daryll Bauer, MU associate professor and program director, announced.

The grant reflects a $9,000 increase over the federal support the program received last year, according to Bauer. “We find this aspect especially gratifying, since federal funding in this area is on a decrease generally,” he said.

The funds will be used for staff development and student aid.

Earlier this summer, Marshall’s Special Education Program received a $5,000 West Virginia State Department of Education grant for a summer project involving children with learning disabilities.

This grant was the first of its kind awarded by the state to a project in the learning disabilities area, Bauer said.

The project, coordinated by Dr. Barbara Guyer, MU assistant professor of special education, provided individualized instruction in language skills and mathematics for some 40 children with diagnosed learning disabilities.

The five-week, free program drew children from Cabell, Wayne and Mason counties in West Virginia, Lawrence County, Ohio, and Boyd County, Ky.

Board requests 1975 claims be filed

The Public Employees Insurance Board has requested the following information be shared with all employees:

“According to policy provision (Handbook page 46), written proof of claim must be submitted to the Equitable Claims Office within 90 days after the date of loss for which a claim is being filed. This does not mean that a claim which is not submitted within 90 days will not be denied. As you may know, we have continued to process these claims and will continue to do so with the following exception:

All claims for the period April 1, 1975, through Dec. 31, 1975, must be submitted to the Equitable Claims Office no later than Aug. 31, 1977. After that date no claims for the period April through December 1975 will be processed unless it is proven impossible to submit the claim before that date.”

Wanted: program listings

Closed Circuit Television is looking for its stray “Departmental Program Listings” catalogs. Persons having copies of the catalog are asked to return them to CCTV, 2nd floor, Communications Building. The catalog is being updated for future use.
Doctorates earned by Sullenberger, Bruce

Two Marshall faculty members completed requirements for their doctorates recently. They are James B. Bruce, assistant professor of political science, and Tom E. Sullenberger, acting departmental chairman and assistant professor of criminal justice.

Bruce earned his Ph.D., degree from the University of Denver. His dissertation is entitled “The Politics of Soviet Policy Formation: Khrushchev’s Innovative Policies in Education and Agriculture.”

Sullenberger’s Ph.D. degree will be conferred in August by Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas. His dissertation is entitled “The Magnet Phenomenon in Criminal Justice.”

Tickets available for summer productions

Reserved seat tickets for the MU Theater production of “What the Butler Saw” are available for today’s and Saturday’s performances scheduled for 8 p.m. in air conditioned Old Main Auditorium.

Directed by Dr. William G. Kearns, associate professor of speech, the comedy is the first of two productions scheduled for this summer by the Speech Department.

The second comedy, “6 Rms Riv Vu,” will open a three-night run Aug. 11, under the direction of Dr. Elaine A. Novak, professor of speech.

Tickets will be available at the door. Reserved seat tickets for the August presentation may be obtained now at the theater box office, Old Main 118, from noon to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Reservations may be made also by mail or by calling, 696-2306, during the box office hours. All seats are $2. Marshall students are admitted free upon presentation of valid ID cards.

Personnel personals

Wedding vows were exchanged by Melanie Kay Ferguson and Carl Waddle, both Marshall employees, on July 2, in an outdoor ceremony at the home of the bride’s parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Ferguson of Wayne. The bride is employed in the Cashier’s Office and Waddle is employed in the Computer Center.

Moving? Getting married? Have a new member of the family? Want to share something special about your family with friends at Marshall? If you’ll let us know, we’ll print it in the News Letter. Send your information to Judith Casto, Assistant Director of University Relations, Old Main 111.

Faculty, staff achievements, activities

DR. FREDERICK J. LOTSPEICH, professor and chairman of the Biochemistry Department, has been elected into the membership of the American Society of Biological Chemists. Members are selected on the basis of significant contributions to the biochemical research field.

DR. RICHARD COMFORT, professor of sociology/anthropology, has been elected president of the Greater Huntington Arts Council Steering Committee. JIM MARTIN, Artists Series coordinator, was elected vice president and will chair the structure committee, which will help outline possible functions and purposes of the Council. COMFORT will head the City Spirit Grant Advisory Board. DR. WENDELL KUMLIEN, professor of music and departmental chairman, and MRS. JUNE KILGORE, associate professor of art and departmental chairman, are also active in the newly-formed Council.

DR. MARY ETTA HIGHT, assistant professor of biological sciences, attended the 57th annual meeting of the American Society of Mammalogists in East Lansing, Mich., June 19-23. A member of the society’s board of directors, she participated in the board’s business sessions.

DR. RICHARD O. COMFORT, professor of sociology/anthropology, participated in a multidisciplinary workshop on Gerontology at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, June 21-26. The workshop attracted 20 participants and covered a wide range of topics related to the fast growing field of Gerontology.

Excused absences...

Absences have been excused by the respective college deans for the following:


NEWCOMERS

New to the Marshall campus are:

KENNETH A. PEMBERTON, recreation supervisor, Memorial Student Center; NANCY G. STILTNER, secretary, Marketing Department; RHONDA L. BURGE, cashier, Business Office; JOY HUMPHREY, circulation clerk, James E. Morrow Library; DAVID A. PEDDICORD, electrician, Plant Operations; RONALD MORRISON, laborer, Plant Operations, and JERRY GLENN ROSS, laborer, Plant Operations.

Welcome to Marshall!